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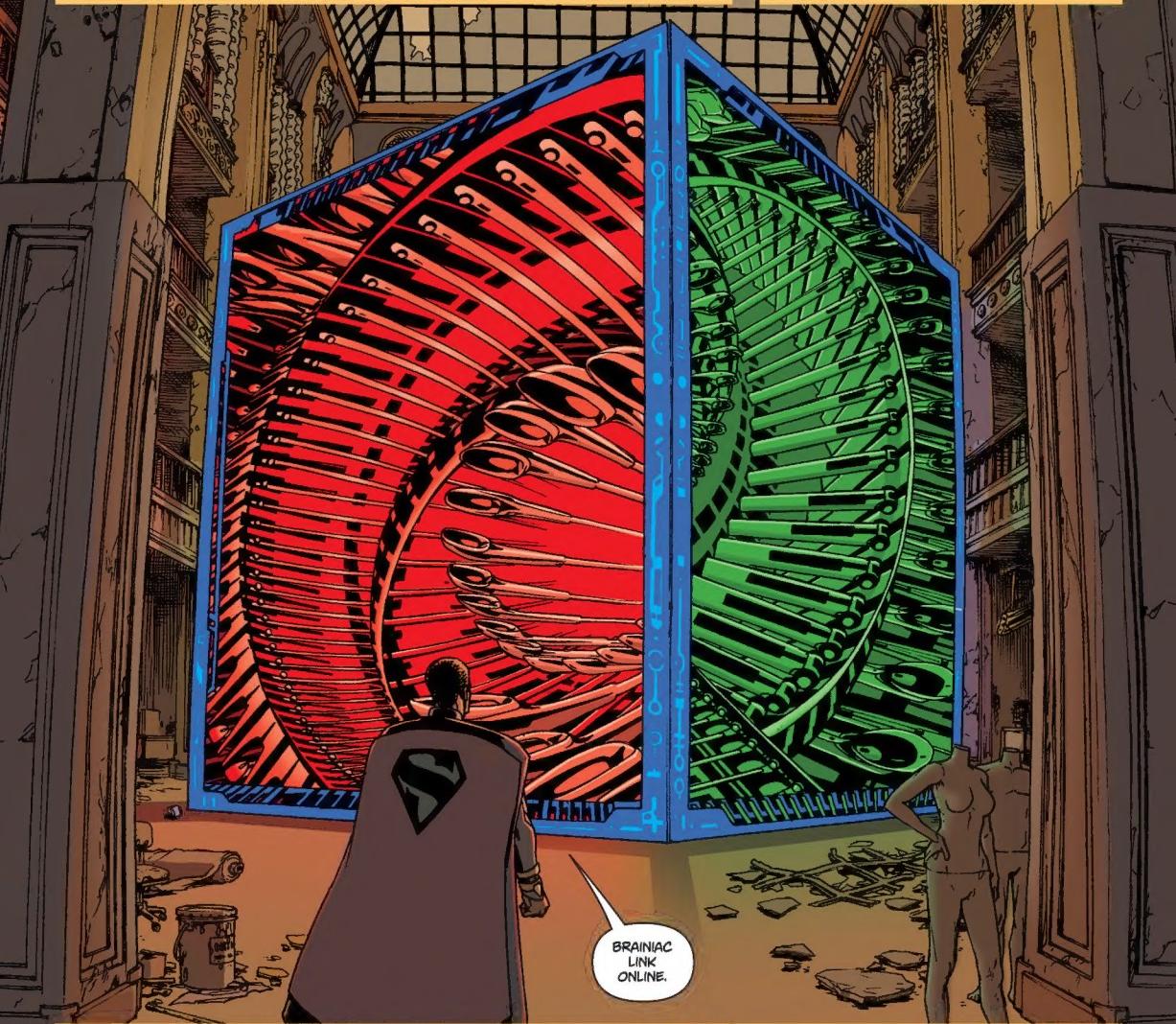
THE CURSE OF SUPERMAN

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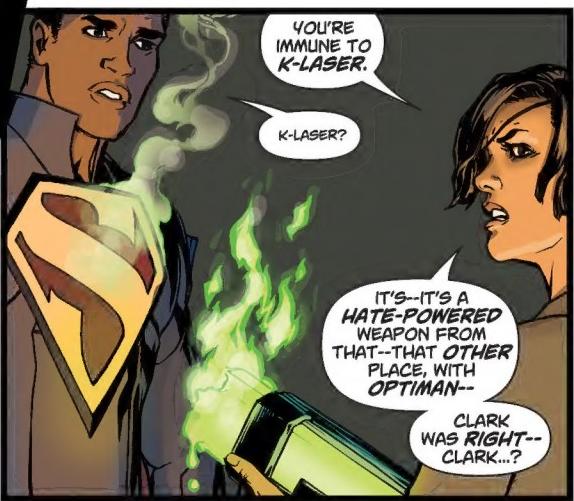
GENE HA ARTIST ART LYON COLORIST
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WIL MOSS ASSOCIATE EDITOR MATT IDELSON EDITOR
SUPERMAN CREATED BY JERRY SIEGEL & JOE SHUSTER

DON'T
EVER
FORGET
THAT!









ONCE, NOT SO LONG AGO, IN A FARAWAY STAR SYSTEM, A WISE AND ANCIENT CIVILIZATION DIED, LEAVING BARELY A TRACE OF ITS PASSING.

THEIR WORLD WAS CALLED KRYPTON, AND GREATEST OF ALL ITS MIGHTY CITIES WAS THE SCIENCE-CAPITAL JANDRA-LA ON VATHLO ISLAND IN THE GREEN DANDAHU OCEAN.

IT WAS THERE, AS THE PLANET WAS RIPPED APART IN A VIOLENT CATASTROPHE, THAT TWO DESPERATE YOUNG SCIENTISTS NAMED JOREL AND LARA PERFORMED THEIR LAST, MOST DARING EXPERIMENT TOGETHER.

UNABLE TO SAVE THEMSELVES FROM KRYPTON'S APOCALYPSE, THEY PLACED THEIR ONLY SON, KALEL, IN A PROTOTYPE ROCKET AND SHOT HIM ACROSS THE EMPTY GULFS OF SPACE WITH LITTLE MORE THAN A PRAYER TO GUIDE HIS INCREDIBLE VOYAGE.

AND SO AFTER A TIME CAME THE LAST SON OF LOST KRYPTON--TO THE PLANET EARTH!

ADOPTED BY A POOR BUT KINDLY COUPLE, THE SEED OF KRYPTON TOOK ROOT IN FERTILE ALIEN SOIL, AND GREW TALL AND STRONG AND PROUD.

NOW, DISGUISED AS UNITED STATES PRESIDENT CALVIN ELLIS, KALEL OF KRYPTON FIGHTS A NEVER-ENDING BATTLE FOR TRUTH, JUSTICE, LIBERTY AND EQUALITY AS...

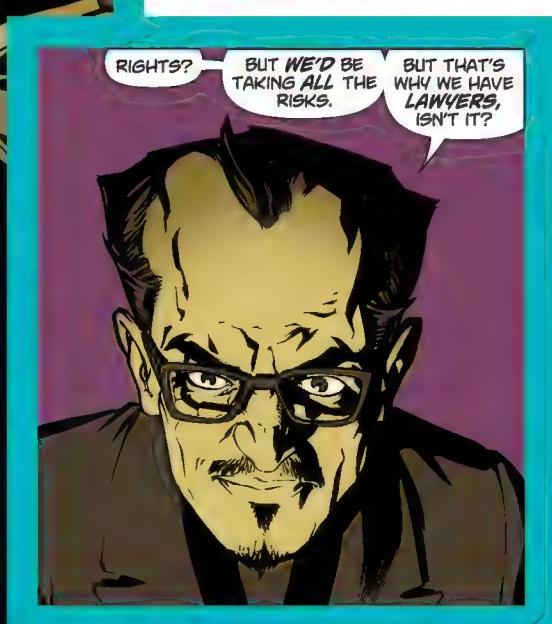
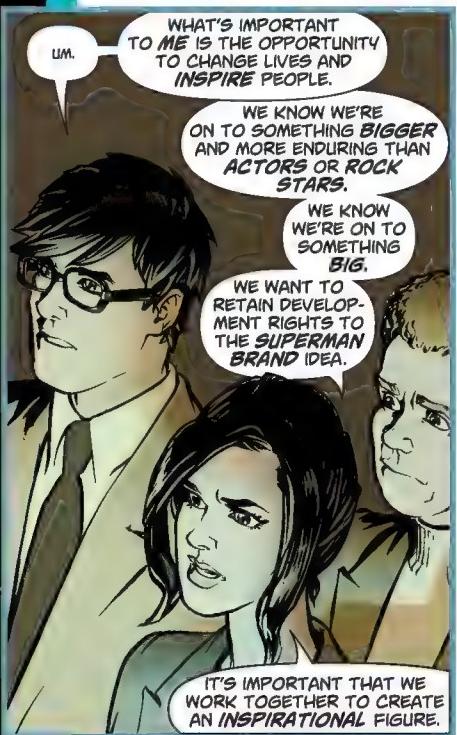
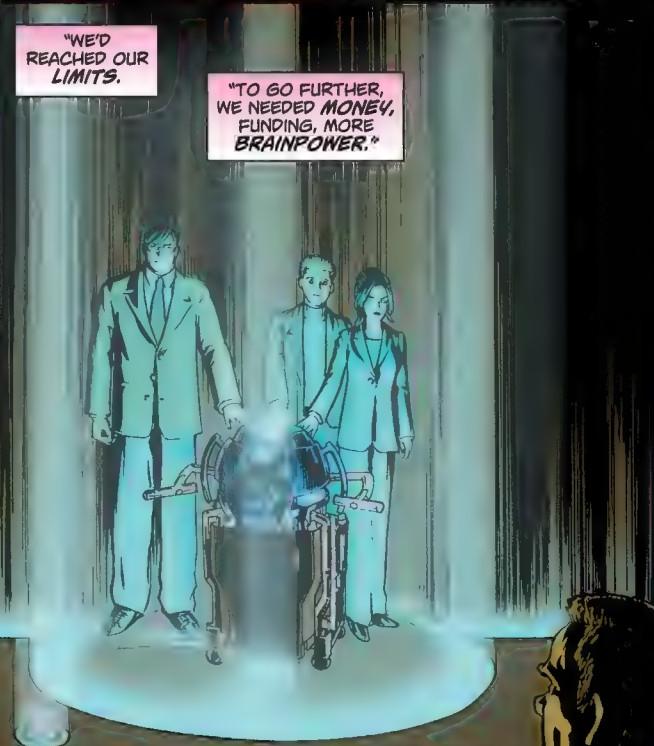
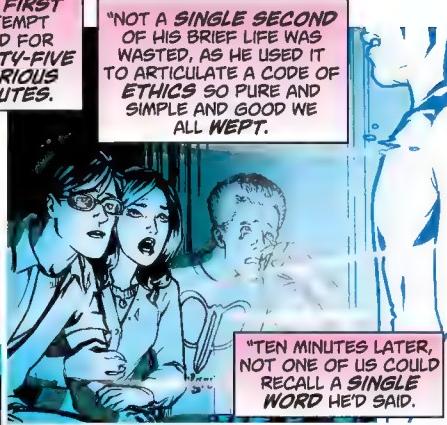
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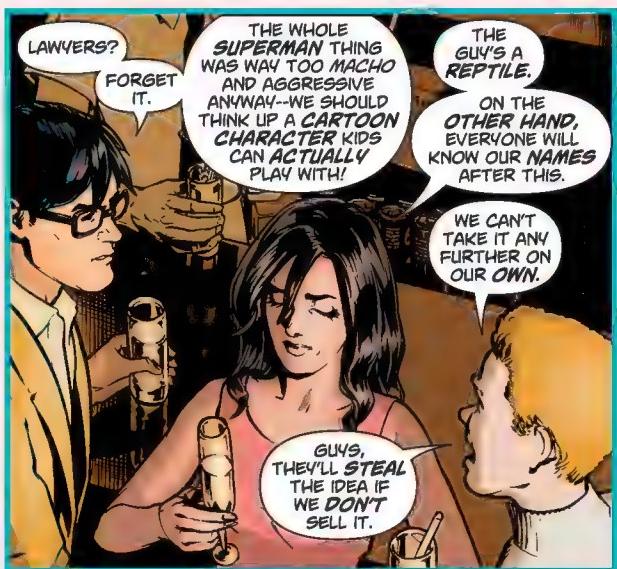




"OUR FIRST ATTEMPT LIVED FOR TWENTY-FIVE GLORIOUS MINUTES."

"NOT A SINGLE SECOND OF HIS BRIEF LIFE WAS WASTED, AS HE USED IT TO ARTICULATE A CODE OF ETHICS SO PURE AND SIMPLE AND GOOD WE ALL WEPT."





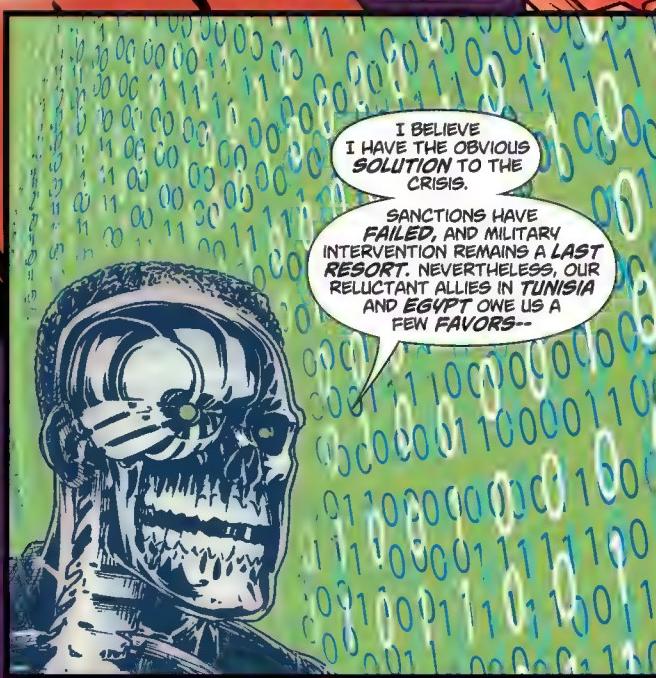






GAUUUR

UNNNH!



--AND RUMORS OF
TROOP BUILD-UP ON THE
BORDERS WILL DRAW THE ARMY
AWAY FROM TRIPOLI WHILE WE
BROKER A PEACE DEAL AND
ENSURE THE RETURN
OF THE HOSTAGES.

"THE ENEMY
OF MY ENEMY
IS MY FRIEND,"
AFTER ALL...





...TWO IS AN INSULT!

THAT'S
RIGHT!
YOU!

ALL MY ADULT LIFE I'VE DREAMED OF A MOMENT LIKE THIS.

YOU'RE THE RAW ESSENCE, THE BEAST IN SUPERMAN!

THE SMUG FASCIST BULLY BOY I SAW THERE ALL ALONG!

UNNF!

URR

OUTER HIDE
ADAPTED FOR
K-BLAST.

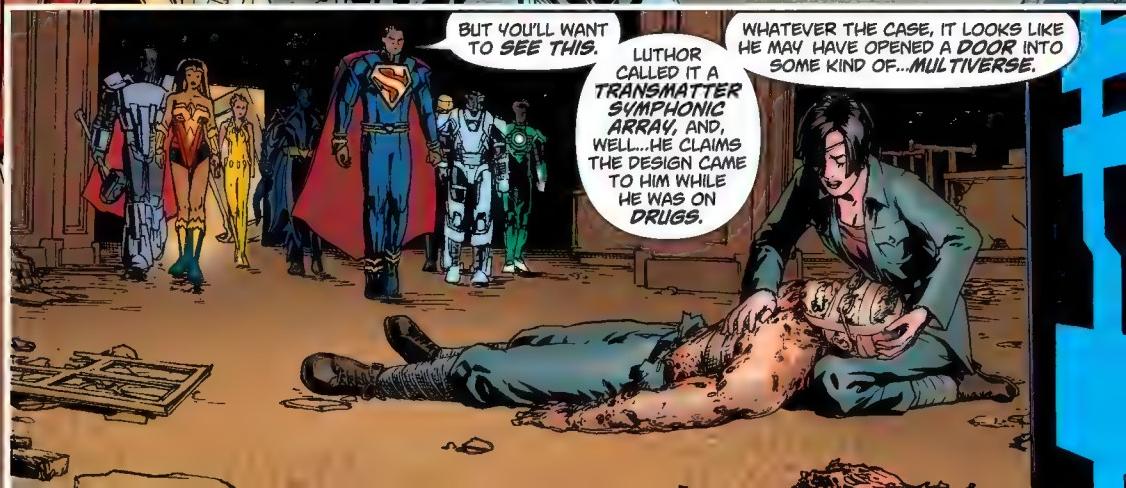
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OUTER
HIDE?

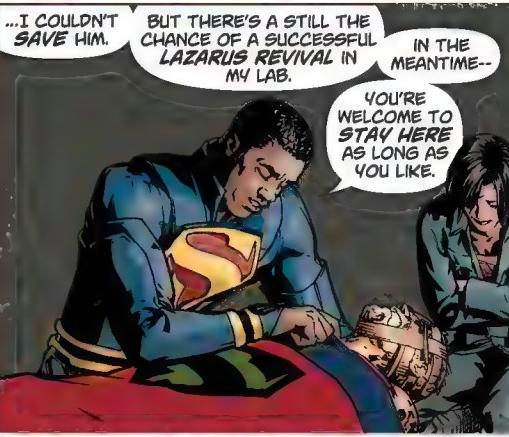
GRRRAHH!

IS THAT
WHAT YOU
THINK!

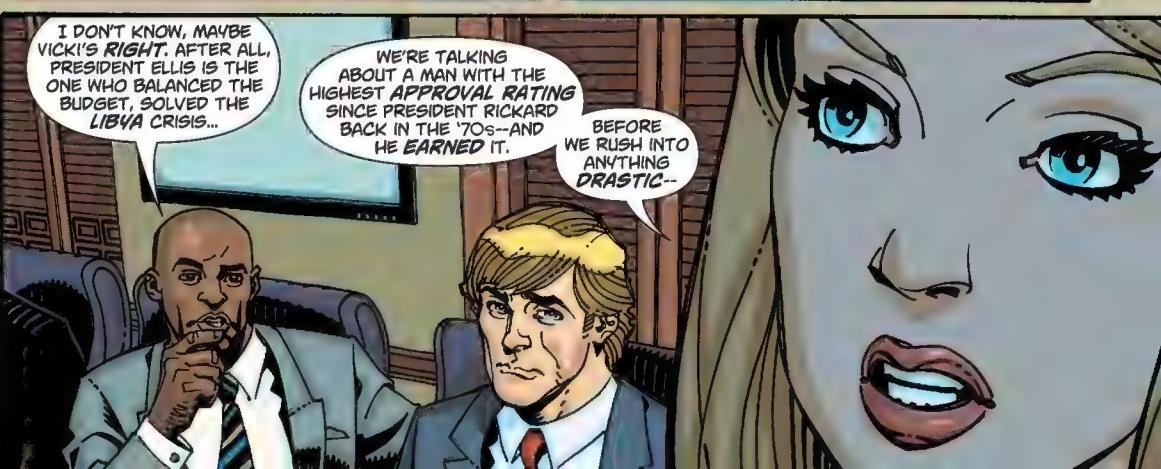
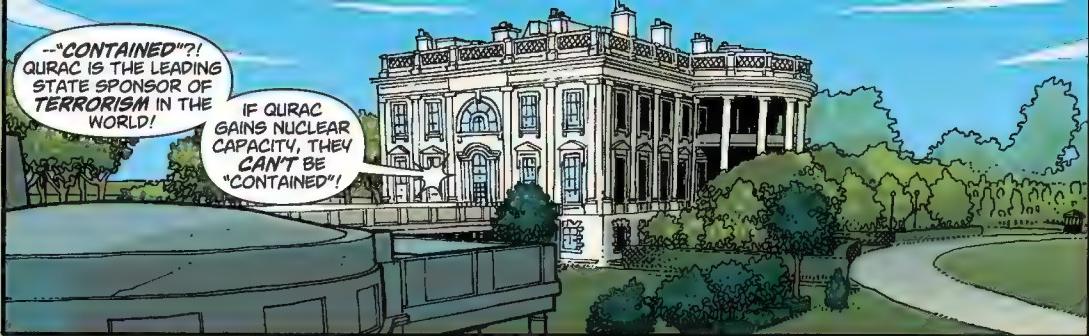








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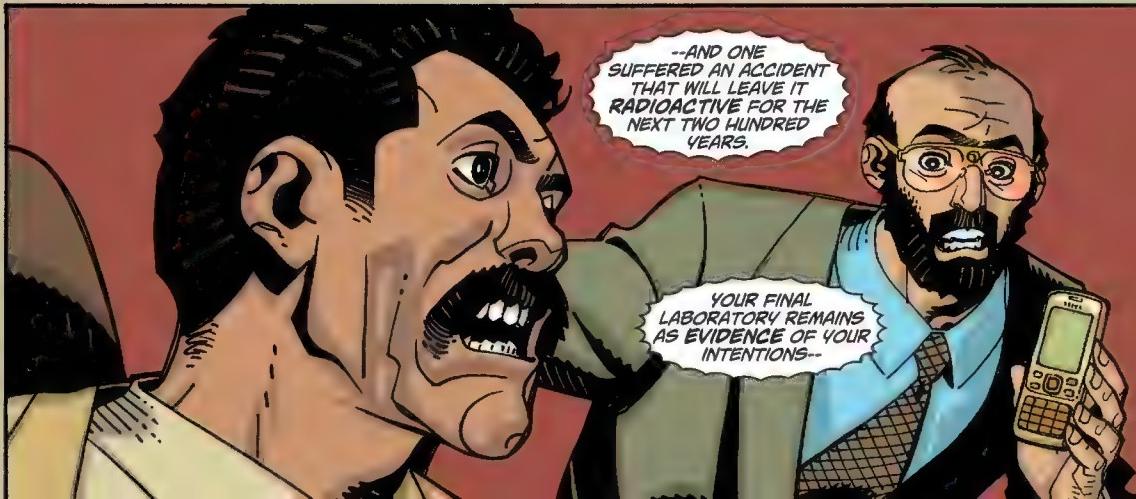
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--ALTHOUGH
I'M AFRAID THAT
ONE IS NO LONGER
FUNCTIONAL
EITHER.

TH-THIS
IS AN
OUTRAGE!

YES, ALL
OF YOUR PEOPLE
MADE IT OUT SAFELY.
THANK YOU FOR YOUR
CONCERN.

IT'S
AN ACT OF
WAR!

I
DON'T
THINK
SO.

TO BE AN
ACT OF WAR, YOU'D
HAVE TO ADMIT THE
LABS EXISTED IN THE
FIRST PLACE.

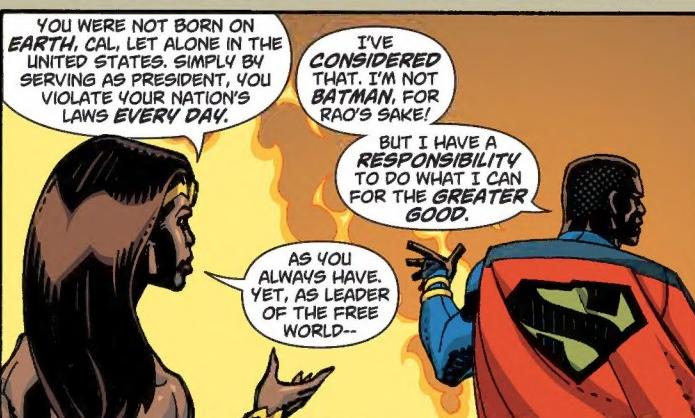
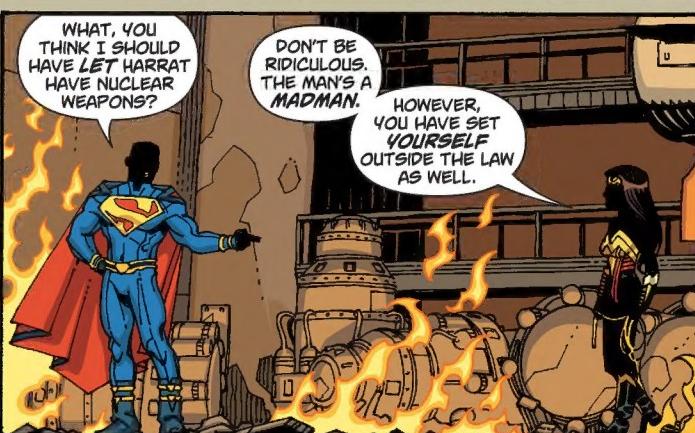
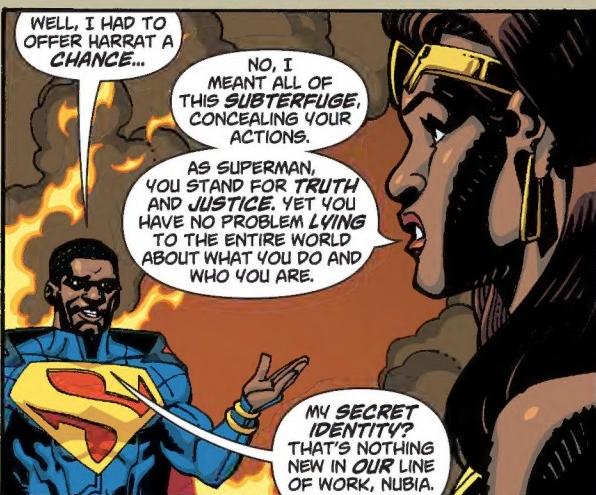
AND BEFORE
YOU START THINKING
ABOUT TRYING TO REBUILD,
I SHOULD MENTION THAT
I'VE ALREADY SECURED
AGREEMENT FROM OUR
ALLIES FOR FURTHER
SANCTIONS.

THOSE WOULD
INCLUDE SEIZURE
OF QURAC'S WATER
SOURCES BY
ATLANTIS--

--NATURAL
DISASTERS
COURTESY OF
MARKOVIA--

--AND AN
INVADING AMAZON
ARMY FROM
THEMYSCIRA.





END...?

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